

SCDXC Newsletter



The Southern California DX Club is a group of dedicated men and women active in the amateur radio community who enjoy communicating over the air with other radio amateurs around the world.

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Club meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM except April, June, and December.

Please check the club web site for events and details at:

<http://www.scdxc.org>

If you are in the area please say hello on our repeater:

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If you need him get in there and work him"



From the Desk of the President

Mel Hughes, K6SY

2018 Board of Directors

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Well, I must begin this month's message with an apology to Bill, N6RV, because I did not get this to him when he wanted it. The older I get the more there is to do, and it all seems to get in the way of HAM radio.

I hope you all sold or bought those items of interest at the annual "Boat Anchor Auction" at the September SCDXC Meeting. My thanks to Skip, KJ6Y and Jeff, K6JW, for all their hard work.

The election for 2019 SCDXC officers will soon be here and we still need some one to take the position of Treasurer/Membership. This position is vital to the existence of the club. If the Club is to continue we need to fill the position.

And we need volunteers for the IDXC 2020!

After several months off the air I finally have power back in the station and with suggestions from Skip, KJ6Y, I successfully diagnosed the problem with my DB-18E SteppIR and have replaced the relay box. After being up 9 years in our beach environment I was not able to open the aluminum relay box, I had to replace it all. One of these days I'll take the band saw to the box and actually find out what the real failure was, relay or the diode logic circuits. I'm sure the failed part could be purchased for less than \$5.00 instead of the \$280.00 plus shipping for the whole relay box.

I am beginning to think life is not only too short for golf, it's too short for Flex Radios. Almost every time I turn it on there is a new problem. The newest software helped some issues and created new ones. I can now operate both my station and Carl's, WU6D's, station from my office or anywhere else in the world with internet access EXCEPT I can't operate his station from my home, some obscure issue with the DAX assignments. He has a lot less noise than I do. This afternoon I had a nice 5-9 QSO on 20 meters with an EA1 while sitting at my office desk, drinking a cup of coffee, using Carl's Flex and antenna and only 100 watts! Couldn't hear him using my station.

Carl, WU6D, has volunteered to head up a committee to organize the SCDXC archives and digitized all the decaying paper copies of the SCDXC newsletters and other printed items. He's planning to have a future SCDXC program featuring old slides and photos in hopes that members can help us identify those in the photos.

Please consider running for a Club Board Position!!!!

73,

Mel - K6SY

VP Notes

Kris Jacob, KC6TOD

Greetings to All,

Our September annual Anchors Away auction was successful, the club received a nice donation. A special thank you to Skip KJ6Y as auctioneer and Jeff K6JW for handling the financial record keeping with George N6VNI assistance.

Please join us at the October 11th meeting, the guest speaker is yet to be confirmed. I am hoping that at this meeting we can have volunteers to fill the Vice President slot as well as the Treasurer/Membership position.

The Christmas/Chanukah Party will be held on Sunday, December 16th from 11:30 to 3:30pm at the:

Reef Restaurant

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Registration forms will be at the October meeting and online in mid-October. It should be a fun time. If you have any suggestions for guest speakers/programs, please let me know. If you have a presentation you would like to share with the club, please contact me.

Please mark your calendar for all these events, we, as your board, have tried to plan in advance for all our special occasions.

73 and Good DXing!
Kris Jacob
KC6TOD

October Calendar

October	6	Oceania DX Contest SSB
October	6	Russian WW Digital Contest
October	6	California QSO Party
October	7	RSGB DX Contest
October	11	Regular Meeting
October	13	Oceania DX Contest CW
October	13	Scandinavian Activity Contest SSB
October	27	CQWW DX Contest SSB

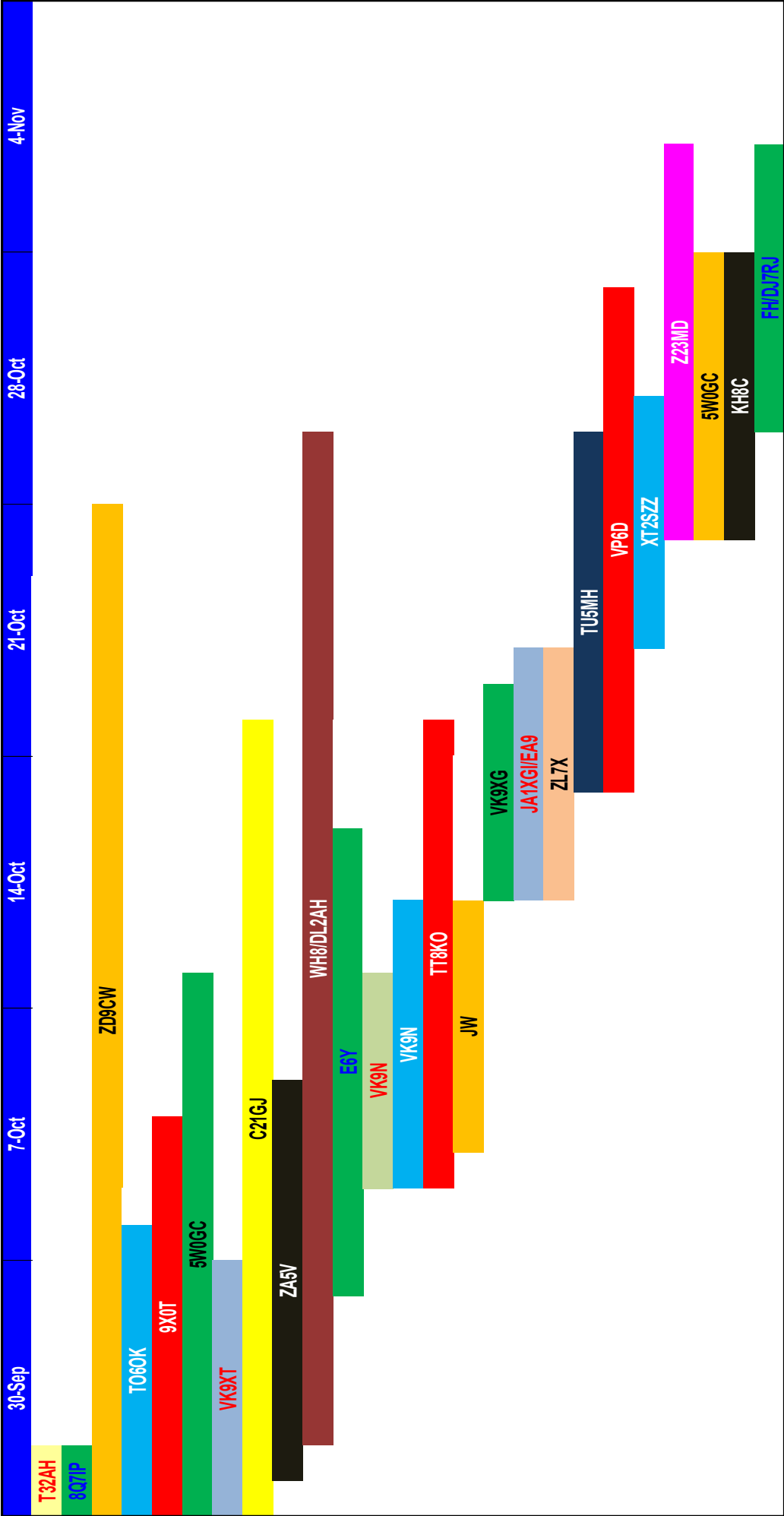
Rumors on the Band

This month DX should be taking off! Remember the CQWW SSB contest at the end of the month. Also try calling CQ on CW and SSB. With the decrease in band population calling CQ may produce some interesting results. W6PU can be found regularly on 20 meter CW calling CQ and working many rare stations.

Note all the rare DXpeditions and DX in general a foot. Turn your radio on!

QTH	Call	Start Date	End Date	Information
East Kiribati	T32AH	Now	1-Oct	DL2AH 80-10m SSB FT8 RTTY
Maldives	8Q7IP	Now	23-Sep	HA3JB 80-10m CW SSB RTTY FT8
Tristan Da Cunha	ZD9CW	Now	22-Oct	G4EDG 40-15m CW RTTY
Mayotte	TO6OK	Now	6-Oct	OK1BOA OK1FCJ OK1GK OK2ZA OK2ZC OK2ZI OK6DJ 160-10m CW SSB RTTY FT8
Rwanda	9X0T	Now	10-Oct	I1HJT I2YSB IK2CIO IK2CKR IK2DIA IK2HKT IK2RZP JA3USA 160-10m CW SSB RTTY FT8
Samoa	5W0GC	Now	14-Oct	LZ1GC 160-6m CW SSB RTTY
Christmas Island	VK9XT	Now	6-Oct	A65DC A65DR SM0CXU VE7HDW 160-10m CW SSB Digital
Nauru	C21GJ	Now	12-Oct	W7GJ 6m EME CW SSB FT8
Albania	ZA5V	1-Oct	12-Oct	S59A OE6V 80-2m CW SSB JT65 FT8 MSK144 JT65B
American Samoa	WH8/DL2AH	2-Oct	29-Oct	DL2AH 80-10m SSB FT8 RTTY
Niue	E6Y	6-Oct	16-Oct	ZL3PAH ZL3GA ZL3AB ZL4TT 160-10m SSB CW
Norfolk Isl.	VK9	9-Oct	14-Oct	JO7GVC JK7LXU 40-10m CW PSK FT8
Norfolk Isl.	VK9	9-Oct	19-Oct	N7BF (VK9BF) ZL2HM (VK9PM) N7QR (VK9QR) W6ABM (VK9EV) 40-6m SSB FT8
Chad	TT8KO	9-Oct	22-Oct	LA7GIA 160-10m CW SSB
Svalbard	JW	10-Oct	15-Oct	LA7XK (JW7XK) LA9DL(JW9DL) LA6VM (JW6VM) JW5X in SAC CW SSB Digital
Christmas Island	VK9XG	16-Oct	30-Oct	G3SVL G3TXF G3WGN G3WPH G2NF 160-10m CW SSB FT8
Ceuta & Melilla	EA9	16-Oct	22-Oct	JA1XGI/EA9 40-10m CW FT8
Chatham Island	ZL7X	16-Oct	22-Oct	JH1GNU JH1HRJ JE1SCJ 160-10m CW SSB FT8
Ivory Coast	TU5MH	20-Oct	29-Oct	DF3FS CW SSB
Ducie Island	VP6D	20-Oct	3-Nov	K3EL HA5AO W2LK DJ9RR WA6O ZL3CW N6HC W1SRD N6WM HA0NAR PY2PT N6XG K5GS UT6UD NG2H 160-10m CW SSB Digital
Burkina Faso	XT2SZZ	22-Oct	30-Oct	S54W S57L S58Y S59ZZ S50A HF + 6m
Zimbabwe	Z23MD	26-Oct	6-Nov	IZ8CCW I2VGW IZ2GNQ F5EOT ON4LO YO8WW YO5OED ON7RB HF CW SSB RTTY
Samoa	5W0GC	27-Oct	3-Nov	JF1OCO (5W7X) JJ1TBB (5W0TB) 160-10m CW SSB FT8
American Samoa	KH8	27-Oct	3-Nov	JF1OCO (W1VX/KH8) JJ1TBB (KH8C) 160-10m CW SSB FT8
Mayotte	FH/DJ7RJ	29-Oct	6-Nov	DJ7RJ 160-10m CW SSB

Dx for October



DX Standings

There has been some comment about the standings. If your standings are different from the stated standings please forward exactly what you want updated. This is not a for credit standing. It is all by the honor system.

With FT8 the band slots are filling in rapidly. This fall the participation on 160 and 80 meters will most likely be on the increase! Last fall the stations worked were exceptional.

Remember to try calling CQ on CW and SSB. With the decrease in band population calling CQ may raise activity.

Send any updates to:
N6RV@SCDXC.org

SCDXC WAZ and DXCC Standings

The first WAZ column is the confirmed zone count on 10 bands 160 - 6 (less 60 meters). The second column is the regular 5BWAZ confirmed count. The following are the codes that follow the two columns and indicate the awards:

M	Mixed
P	Phone
C	CW
R	RTTY
5	5 Band

The first DXCC column is the confirmed entity count with deleted countries. The second column is the confirmed current entity count. The third column is the challenge slots.

The members highlighted in **Red** are at the top of the Honor Roll. Those in **Blue** are on the Honor Roll

SCDXC DXCC Standings										WAZ Standings		
Rank	Call	Total	Current	Slots	Rank	Call	Total	Current	Slots	Call	11B / 5B	Awards
1	W6KH	389	340		61	K6QU	325	325		K6ND	378 / 200	M/5
2	K6KII	387	340		62	AC6DX	322	320	1887	W6SR	369 / 200	M/P/C//5
3	JA1BK	383	340	3147	63	KJ6Y	321	321	1312	WA5VGI	358 / 200	M/P/C/5
4	K6YRA	378	340	2272	64	N6NPG	319	319		W8DX	357 / 200	M/5
5	OH2BH	377	340		65	AK6I	317	317		EJ7SA	357 / 200	M/5
6	ON4UN	373	340	1975	66	W1YL	315	315		N6AW	355 / 200	M/P/C/5
7	N6UC	368	339		67	KC6T	314	314		NS6C	345 / 200	
8	DJ9ZB	365	340	2665	68	N6GP	314	292	1583	K6YRA	337 / 200	P/5
9	K6YUI	365	340	2598	69	W6HB	311	311	1029	K6YUI	337 / 200	M/P/C/R/5
10	W6BCQ	365	339	1600	70	N6VNI	311	309	1550	WD6L	248 / 200	M/P/5
11	NS6C	361	340	2503	71	NK6A	303	297	957	N6OU	220 / 200	M/5
12	K6SMF	360	338		72	ZL3TE	297	295	1430	K6UNR	200 / 200	M/P/5
13	W6SR	359	340	2799	73	N6DHZ	295	289	1053	W6VX	352 / 199	
14	W6HT	358	340		74	K6IRD	294	292	649	K6GXO	358 / 198	M
15	K6FG	357	340	2774	75	N6WT	282	282	1263	K6FG	365 / 198	M/P/C/R/5
16	K8RD	357	340		76	N6UOZ	280	280		N6WS	366 / 197	M/P/C/5
17	WA6WZO	357	339		77	KT6LA	279	277	1035	W6ENZ	347 / 197	
18	N6RV	356	339	2131	78	WA6WXD	274	220		SM5GMZ	345 / 196	M/P/C
19	K6GXO	355	348	2633	79	K7MY	267	265	831	N6MXU	155 / 193	
20	K5KT	355	340		80	K6VC	259	225		N6RV	347 / 191	M/P/C
21	K6IPV	355	335	1800	81	K6SS	255	225	882	N6HE	195 / 134	
22	N6QQ	354	338	2178	82	W3SE	249	244	754	K2PLF	191 / 191	M/P/C
23	W6IRD	354	338		83	W6DOE	244	244	1005	KC6X	294 / 187	M/P/C/5
24	W6TJI	354	337		84	KQ6K	243	243		N6QQ	325 / 186	M/P/C/R
25	W6OU	354	335	1599	85	N6VOH	243	222		KM6HB	321 / 185	5/M/P/C
26	W8DX	352	339	2517	86	W6LEN	236	236	771	K6LD	314 / 186	M/P/C
27	W6RW	351	337	1991	87	K6JEY	234	234		W6YOO	308 / 185	M/P/C/5
28	W6TK	350	340	1945	88	N6HE	233	225	642	KH6DX/m	210 / 184	
29	W6YOO	350	340	2130	89	N6AA	222	222		K6KII	191 / 177	M
30	N6WS	350	338	2066	90	K6AWB	219	219		K0OK	286 / 173	
31	N7NR	350	329	1127	91	K6DDJ	214	211	551	K6SY	246 / 173	P
32	W6KK	349	340	1864	92	NE6V	213	213	663	W6ZPL	237 / 173	M/P
33	W6ENZ	349	339	2383	93	W6VWV	210	210		KJ6Y	261 / 172	
34	W6VX	349	339	2772	94	KK6FJQ	210	210	379	KR6C	295 / 171	M/C
35	KC6X	350	338	2052	95	W6KC	203	202	589	W6FL	256 / 149	M
36	WA5VGI	348	340	2699	96	W0PE	201	201		AD6KQ	226 / 164	
37	K6ND	348	339	2562	97	W6JEA	195	195		N6DHZ	214 / 160	P
38	N6HC	348	339	2280	98	N6PM	192	191	618	W6DR	227 / 159	
39	N6IC	347	337		99	N6LL	169	169		NK6A	152 / 152	M/5
40	N6HY	345	337	2424	100	KF6I	166	166		W6NRQ	180 / 147	M/P
41	W6FL	345	331	1223	101	K7LA	160	160	365	WB6PSY	139 / 140	P
42	KR6C	344	338	1985	102	W6EA	152	152		WA6BOB	152 / 136	M
43	K6LPO	344	331	1236	103	W6QE	149	149	224	W6IRD	151 / 111	M/P
44	N6PEQ	343	337	1941	104	N6DBF	142	142	374	K6IRD	154 / 126	M/P
45	KM6HB	343	336	1933	105	AB9A	141	141		W5DQ	161 / 122	
46	SM5GMZ	343	333	2317	106	KI6RRD	139	138	376	W3SE	102 / 112	
47	N6PE	343	331	1941	107	N6CA	133	133		KT6LA	132 / 103	
48	AI6Z	342	335	2174	108	N6RU	129	128	279	K6IRA	118 / 102	
49	K7ACZ	341	337	1756	109	K6MKL	126	126	185	K6VC	96 / 96	P
50	N6MXU	341	331	1416	110	K6DSW	122	122	268	W6EA	92 / 86	
51	N6XT	339	332	1413	111	KC6TOD	120	120		N6UC	78 / 78	M
52	W6SW	339	331	540	112	W6MKO	110	0	0	KA6TTV	82 / 67	
53	K6RO	339	330	2083	113	KA6D	107	107		N6VNI	86 / 64	
54	W6ZPL	338	335	1367	114	K6BBC	103	103		N6RRY	74 / 64	
55	K2IXQ	337	332	1746	115	NQ6L	101	101		N6GIL	49 / 43	
56	K6SY	332	322	1037	116	K6SBA	100	100		W6DCK	40 / 40	P
57	W6DR	331	326	1431	117	N6YQ	100	100		K6JW	40 / 40	M/P
58	K6JW	329	323	1068	118	WA6MEM	100	100		K6YR	39 / 39	
59	AA6PW	328	328	1709	119	N6RRY	100	70	125	W6DOE	37 / 37	
60	N6AX	327	327	1198	120	K9TAD	74	74	93	NZ6L	36 / 36	
										W4EF	29 /	
										N6AWD		M
										N6HC		M/P/C
										KB6KTV		P
										W6OES		M
										K8RD		C

2018 Get Schroeder Contest

2018 Get Schroeder Leaders						
2018 Entities Worked by SCDXC						263
2018 ClubLog Leaders						282
2017 SCDXC Members						281
2017 SCDXC Leaders (N6RV)						263
2017 ClubLog Leaders						289
Rank	Call	Entities	Delta	Missed	-QQ	Uniques
						8
1	N6WS	246	3	17	-30	1
2	W6OU	234	4	29	-18	2
3	N6WT	228	0	35	-12	1
4	W6TK	223	4	40	-7	0
5	N6QQ	216	1	47	0	2
6	N6RV	213	3	50	3	0
7	KC6X	191	1	72	25	0
8	WA5VG	188	1	75	28	0
9	K7ACZ	173	8	90	43	0
10	A16Z	154	0	109	62	0
11	N6PM	144	3	119	72	0
12	W6MKO	139	0	124	77	0
13	W6DR	137	0	126	79	0
14	N6V	135	26	128	81	0
15	N6HY	134	36	129	82	0

1A0	4S	7Q	A3	CE9	E7	FK	GI	HS	KH0	LZ	PJ7	T2	TY	VK9L	VU4	YV0
1S	4U1TU	7X	A4	CN	EA	FK/C	GJ	HV	KH1	OA	PY	T30	TZ	VK9M	VU7	Z2
3A	4U1UN	8P	A5	CO	EA6	FM	GM	HZ	KH2	OD	PY0F	T31	UA	VK9N	XE	Z3
3B7	4W	8Q	A6	CP	EA8	FO	GU	I	KH3	OE	PY0S	T32	UA0	VK9W	XF4	Z6
3B8	4X	8R	A7	CT	EA9	FO/A	GW	ISO	KH4	OH	PY0T	T33	UA2	VK9X	XT	Z8
3B9	5A	9A	A9	CT3	EI	FO/C	H4	J2	KH5	OH0	PZ	T5	UJ	VP2E	XU	ZA
3C	5B	9G	AP	CU	EK	FO/M	H40	J3	KH6	OJ0	R1F	T7	UN	VP2M	XW	ZB2
3C0	5H	9H	BS7H	CX	EL	FP	HA	J5	KH7K	OK	S0	T8	UR	VP2V	XX9	ZC4
3D2	5N	9J	BU	CY0	EP	FR	HB	J6	KH8	OM	S2	TA	V2	VP5	XZ	ZD7
3D2/C	5R	9K	BV9P	CY9	ER	FS	HB0	J7	KH8S	ON	S5	TF	V3	VP6	YA	ZD8
3D2/R	5T	9L	BY	D2	ES	FR/G	HC	J8	KH9	OX	S7	TG	V4	VP6/D	YB	ZD9
3DA	5U	9M2	C2	D4	ET	FR/J	HC8	JA	KL7	OY	S9	TI	V5	VP8	YI	ZF
3V	5V7	9M6	C3	D6	EU	FR/T	HH	JD1/M	KP1	OZ	SM	T19	V6	VP8/G	YJ	ZK3
3W	5W	9N	C5	DL	EX	FT5W	HI	JD1/O	KP2	P2	SP	TJ	V7	VP8/H	YK	ZL
3XA	5X	9Q	C6	DU	EY	FT5X	HK	JT	KP4	P4	ST	TK	V8	VP8/O	YL	ZL7
3Y/B	5Z	9U	C9	E3	EZ	FT5Z	HK0/M	JW	KP5	P5	SU	TL	VE	VP8/S	YN	ZL8
3Y/P	6W	9V	CE	E4	F	FW	HK0/S	JX	LA	PA	SV	TN	VK	VP9	YO	ZL9
4J	6Y	9X	CE0X	E5/N	FG	FY	HL	JY	LU	PJ2	SV/A	TR	VK0H	VQ9	YS	ZP
4L	7Q	9Y	CE0Y	E5/S	FH	G	HP	K	LX	PJ4	SV5	TT	VK0M	VR	YT	ZS
4O	7P	A2	CE0Z	E6	FJ	GD	HR	KG4	LY	PJ5	SV9	TU	VK9C	VU	YV	ZS8

SCDXC Get Schroeder Standings 2018																
Rank	Call	160	80	60	40	30	20	17	15	12	10	6	Total	Slots	Yrs	
1	N6WS	38	64	26	156	131	212	141	78	37	32	26	246	941	54	
2	W6OU	5	21	0	76	38	173	39	18	13	2	6	234	391	55	
3	N6WT	17	35	9	117	90	202	91	47	9	6	9	228	632	4	
4	W6TK	12	51	0	146	80	196	84	66	7	22	1	223	665	61	
5	N6QQ	2	44	0	128	117	190	133	70	24	34	15	216	757	61	
6	N6RV	0	0	0	131	84	158	65	64	23	22	24	213	571	50	
7	KC6X	9	60	5	110	121	162	127	54	27	24	11	191	710	41	
8	WA5VGI	22	16	0	30	50	156	74	36	0	4	1	188	389	34	
9	K7ACZ	6	29	0	85	27	155	26	25	2	3	0	173	358	49	
10	A16Z	1	16	0	70	16	124	10	42	2	5	0	154	286	25	
11	N6PM	0	1	0	48	72	70	85	25	8	14	5	144	328	24	
12	W6M KO	0	21	0	82	19	96	39	14	1	2	3	139	277	1	
13	W6DR	34	52	0	113	19	112	18	47	1	4	1	137	401	38	
14	N6BV	13	16	0	54	8	104	23	9	1	7	7	135	242	22	
15	N6HY	4	16	0	82	49	95	30	12	3	1	5	134	297	65	
16	N6GP	0	54	0	14	18	88	7	35	0	9	7	115	232	29	
17	NS6C	18	16	0	49	31	63	28	10	4	2	0	109	221	61	
18	W6SR	5	21	0	42	3	96	2	50	0	2	16	106	237	51	
19	K6RO	0	3	0	23	14	93	23	36	7	17	3	103	219	30	
20	N6VNI	0	35	0	43	4	75	27	22	0	3	5	101	214	29	
21	K6FG	9	20	0	57	11	64	12	6	1	5	13	95	198	62	
22	NK6A	0	0	0	34	1	87	9	42	0	5	0	94	178	73	
23	K6FOD	1	13	0	43	22	63	19	5	2	10	2	92	180	0	
24	SM5GMZ	40	31	0	11	14	25	25	10	0	0	0	92	156	49	
25	ZL3TE	3	12	3	50	22	45	41	17	6	4	0	90	203	14	
26	K6QU	0	16	0	59	12	45	13	6	1	2	0	88	154	4	
27	W6ENZ	15	11	0	52	14	36	22	13	4	2	3	82	172	51	
28	N6HE	0	1	0	41	20	56	31	27	0	2	0	81	178	40	
29	W6KC	0	31	0	50	1	64	0	36	0	1	0	78	183	58	
30	KE6PLA	0	5	0	9	11	75	13	16	2	12	3	78	146	2	
31	KM6HB	2	13	0	31	26	57	25	17	13	9	4	76	197	27	
32	WB6DJI	0	0	0	48	0	38	18	0	0	0	4	69	108	5	
33	K7MY	0	0	0	7	0	49	0	33	0	13	0	64	102	41	
34	KK6FJQ	0	0	0	15	11	28	15	7	1	2	5	63	84	5	
35	K6DDJ	0	2	0	7	8	30	10	8	0	0	0	46	65	23	
36	KF6I	1	3	0	36	0	14	0	10	0	0	5	43	69	14	
37	N6DBF	0	0	0	28	7	28	14	8	2	3	3	42	93	32	
38	N6RRY	0	0	0	3	0	37	0	5	0	0	4	39	49	30	
39	K16RRD	2	4	0	7	23	11	10	8	2	4	3	37	74	10	
40	N6RU	0	1	0	0	1	16	1	12	0	1	0	25	32	12	
41	K6YUI	12	0	0	2	2	9	3	1	0	0	1	25	30	61	
42	K9TAD	0	0	0	3	5	17	0	0	0	0	1	25	26	11	
43	AC6DX	0	1	0	11	1	7	1	1	0	3	2	15	27	11	
44	W6SW	0	0	0	1	0	8	1	2	0	0	0	8	12	39	
45	KR6C	1	1	0	2	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	8	8	40	
46	SM5X	2	4	0	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	7	11	14	
47	KT6LA	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	12	

Chart Legend	
White / Green	Entity Worked This Year by a Member
Black / White	Very Active Entity Not Yet Worked
Black / Blue	Entity with Announced DXpedition
Black / Yellow	Rarely Active Entity Not Yet Worked
Black / Red	Inactive Entity
	Deleted Entity

September was a slow month. Looking at the chart above there are a few entities that still could show up and three that are scheduled to do just that. Furthermore there are several that the ClubLog leaders have worked and SCDXC has not.

This month club members picked up one new entity, FH. ClubLog leaders picked up two entities, FH and ZD9. With the one entity we have worked that the leaders have not, 9U, we are 19 entities behind the leaders.

Our leader, N6WS, picked up 3 new entities. In fact several of the leaders picked up 3 to 4 new ones (4W, A3, A4, A6, FH, KH0, TK, UJ, ZD9) so there has been DX on the bands. As always with the sunspot low the openings are near sunrise and sunset. Rarely now are there big openings running three to four hours.

ClubLog leaders have exceeded the 2017 number of entities worked. Again, what is interesting is that SCDXC is 18 entities below last years count. This may be indicative of the absence of long haul and long path DX particularly the weak stations that are easily picked off at a sunspot maxima.

Countries Worked by ClubLog but not SCDXC

3XA	8R	ET	TT	YI
4U1UN	9N	FW	VQ9	Z8
5U	A2	S2	XZ	ZL8
8Q	E5/N	ST	YA	ZS8

Country added to SCDXC Total in September

FH

Central Coast DX and Contest BBQ

On September 2nd a few SCDXC members made the trek to Nipomo for the annual BBQ at Dick, W6TK, and Liz Stepanian's house. The BBQ attracts new and old hams as well as the ARRL Southwestern director, famous DXer and contest Dick Norton, N6AA. Looking at the photos you should note the preponderance of smiles. Everyone was having a great time and life on the central coast is all sunshine and happiness. Maybe that is why so many retire there! Sure, it is crowded relative to some Midwestern mindset but compared to Los Angeles it is a complete different world.





Central Coast DX and Contest BBQ



Central Coast DXers



On our trip up north we had the opportunity to visit a few SCDXC members (and possibly a few new members). From top to bottom Bill, N6WS, Kent, N6WT and Rich, W6TK. All three are very active chasing DX, contesting and on Mumble. In the middle is Chip, N6MY who is new to DXing and is attacking.

Bill runs a Yaesu FTD5000 and an Expert 2K-FA to a DB36 with the 80 dipole on a 54 foot tower. Also in his arsenal is a pair of Cushcraft 160V verticals on 160, an 80 meter sloper, a 60 meter dipole and an off-center fed dipole. He has one of the quietest locations on the central coast hearing many stations the other locals do not. He credits his good reception to sitting on a hill consisting of sand raising his effective height above ground by several hundred feet. His location is great. The house is located near the back of the property with stables below. Bill has a 360 degree clear shot.



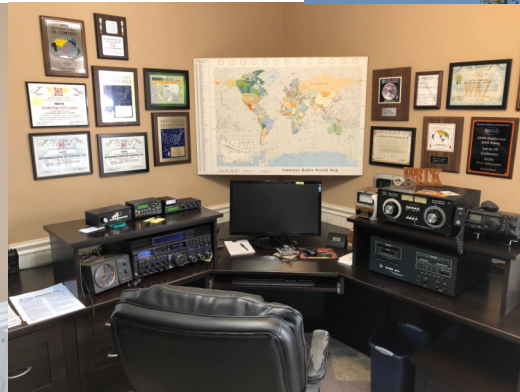
Kent is running a Flex 6500 and an Expert 1.3K-FA to a DB36 with the 80 dipole on a 72 foot tower. He too has an 80 meter sloper and an off-center fed dipole for 160. In the works is a dual band 160/80 meter vertical made from irrigation pipe. Kent's location is stunning. He is on a 20 acre plot which unfortunately is 275 feet wide and very long. His house is situated on the back perched on a hill with a few acres behind it. There is mountain to the west and blocks his view from North to South through West however his shot to the North is phenomenal!



Dick runs a Yaesu FTD5000 and an Alpha 87A (toobee) to a DB32 on a 54 foot tower. He lives very close to Bill and enjoys the same 360 degree clear shot. His property is about an acre on a flag lot (road that leads to property behind another property). The house is perched on a good size hill with an exceptional shot to the north.

Chip is setting up a remote station in Grass Valley. Currently he is running a K3 and an RF Kit Amplifier to a 4 element SteppiR and OptiBeam 2 element 40 on a 54 foot tower. He spent most of the summer setting up and reconditioning a military communications trailer, and trenching and burying cables.

Hopefully next year we will be able to visit John, W6SL, and Bill, WA5VGI, and Paul, W7IV. All three have legendary super stations hidden in the hills of the central coast.



Tid Bits

Joe Locassio Receives Lifetime SEALARC Membership (K5KT)

While back in his home state of Louisiana Joe, K5KT, was awarded LIFE TIME membership into the South East LA Amateur Radio Club. This club is near his HOMETOWN (Hammond, LA).



Vi Barrett, Ham for Over 70 Years (KC6TOD)

Any club member who has attended the IDXC, Holiday Party, Summer Bash or June Picnic would recognize one of our longest standing members, Vi Barrett, W6CBA. Furthermore, anyone who sat and spoke with her would realize that she is truly a gem and an ambassador for the hobby. Vi's unique story is outlined in the two articles linked below. Do you see the radio in the photo to the right? Vi won that a few years back in Visalia. Her husband won a radio as well that year!



Here are the articles from Vi's retirement community and from the Orange County Register

[Morningside Retirement Community Article](#)

[Orange County Register Article](#)

A Point We Should Consider (N6RV)

Here is a musing from Chris Duckling, G3SVL, chairman of the Chiltern DX Club in England. His observation is one all of us should take to heart. Keep on DXing!

"The other Reflector comment that tweaked discussion within the Committee was a post asking why anyone would want to work a particular that wasn't that rare. That implied that DXers only want to work a country / slot once and then they'll tune over it evermore. I just don't think that's true. DXers should be continually testing propagation, their station and their skills - and a good piece of DX is always worth working (if only because they have taken the trouble to spend their time and money to go somewhere and want pile ups). Perhaps the massive growth in FT8 is because it's new but it may also be because those with 400+ countries on CW or phone are SWLing on those modes rather than making QSOs."

We all should be active making QSOs (and friends) with DX! We say we want to promote our hobby even promote our club's focus (DX)? How can we accomplish this if we are not active in it? Sure, life gets in the way but remember the great times you had and return to it! When in a desolate, bleak place plant a garden!

Tid Bits

Don Minkoff, NK6A/CT1

I was operating portable from Porto, Portugal with my KX2 and HFp vertical from a local park near to my B&B.

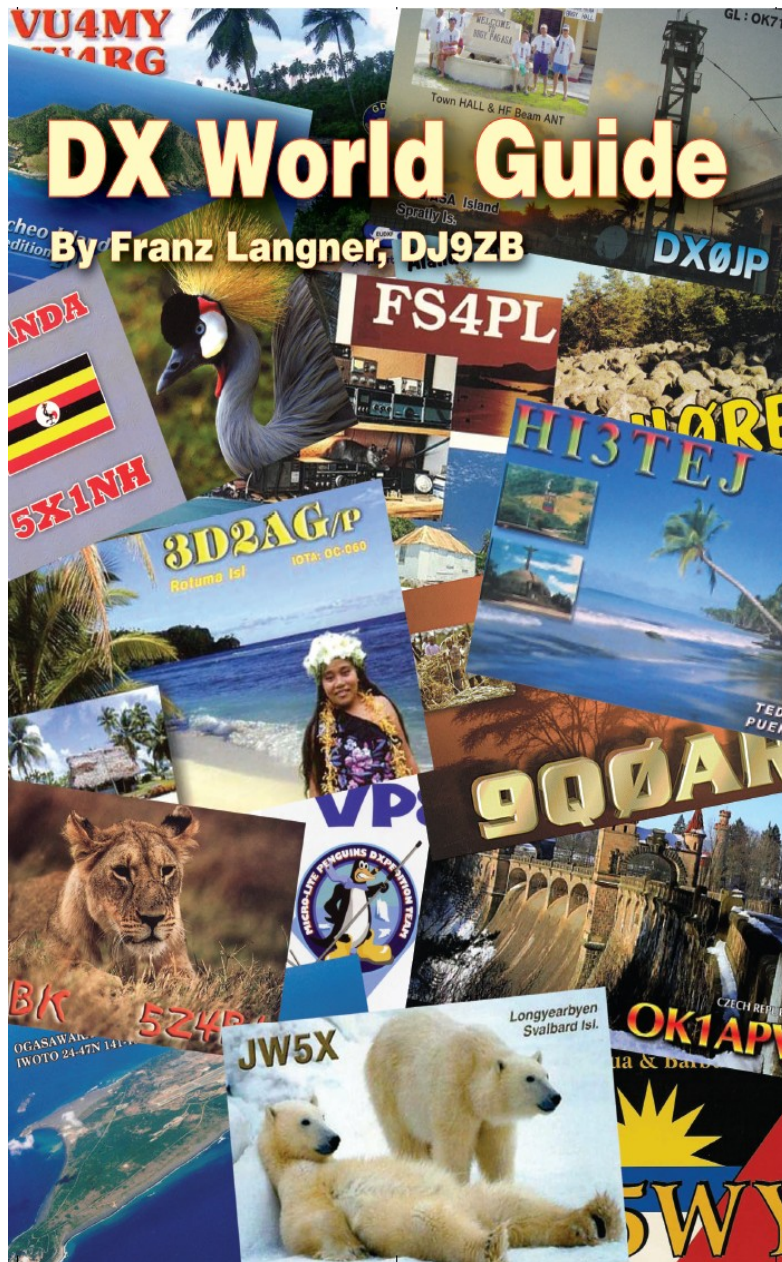
Our first night in Porto we met Jorge, CT1BOL, and his wife, Isabel, for dinner. He has a very nice QTH high above the Douro river and Atlantic ocean. He is a contester and DXer with over 330 confirmed. I first met Jorge on the air during the July IARU contest.

My wife Sheila and I had a great time talking all things radio including a few IOTA expeditions past and for the future.



CQ introduces full-color 'DX World Guide'

CQ Communications, Inc., today announced the publication of the third edition of the DX World Guide, by Franz Langner, DJ9ZB. This 384-page DXers guidebook is the first edition using color throughout and the first to be entirely in English.



The book includes entries for well over 300 DX “entities”. Information includes geographical information about each country, WAZ and ITU zones, ITU callsign allocations and amateur prefixes. Each listing also includes a map and flag, plus information on the country’s licensing agency and national amateur radio society. In addition, as appropriate, listings include call areas, IOTA information and representative QSL cards.

The DX World Guide, 3rd edition, will be available in both print and digital (CD) formats. It will retail for \$42.95 in print and \$22.95 on CD.

www.store.cq-amateur-radio.com

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Useful DX Sites

N0HR DXpedition Map
www.n0hr.com/wk34/

The DX Zone
www.dxzone.com/catalog/DX_Resources/

The Daily DX
www.dailydx.com/

Announced DX Ops
www.ng3k.com/misc/adxo.html

DXing.info
www.dxing.info/dxpeditions/

DX 425 News
www.425dxn.org/dxped/

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Propagation

**Still Nothing to See Here
Folks!**

It looks like we have hit bottom. The only question is how long this will last and how fast the next cycle will rise. Hopefully we all will be around to see it!

ARRL VE Exam Sessions

To find an ARRL exam sessions in your area go to the website:

<http://www.arrl.org/find-an-amateur-radio-license-exam-session>

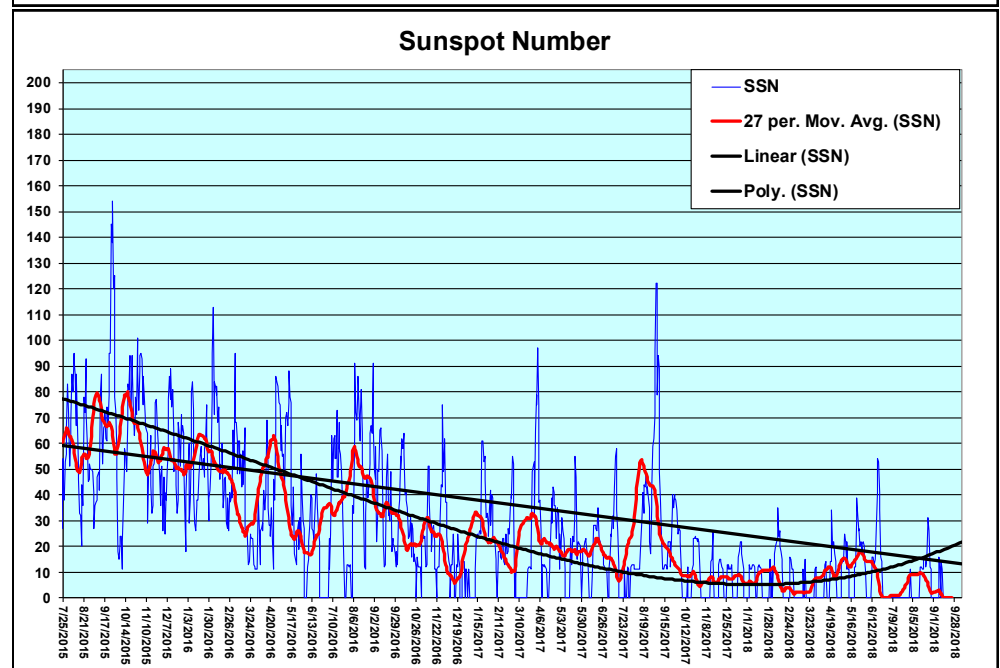
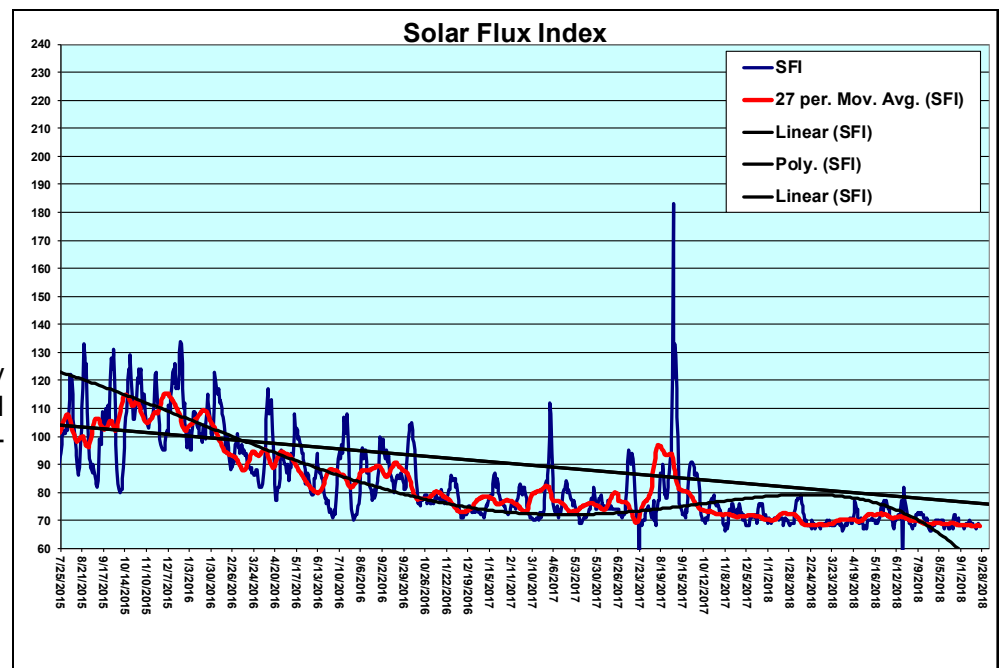
Club and Conduct Sites

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http://www.scdxc.org/download/Officer_Guidelines.pdf

DX Code of Conduct

<http://www.dx-code.org/>





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